It has been wonderful for the chapter to have members from other chapters to substitute offices whenever here, much appreciated. It's what it's all about!! Our Open Installation was held on Monday December 16th with turkey/ham dinner before meeting to celebrate our 111th Anniversary, with cake and ice cream courtesy of Sister Donna Foster.

Pictured left to right front row: Morley Reis, Debbie Robinson, Les White and Carol Fowke-Burns

Back row: Irene Thiessen-Campbell, Marion Kelly, Cheryl Rann, Elizabeth McMahon, Donna Foster, Nancy Stewart, Carla Simsic, Rick Rann, Linda White, Bev Otsuka, Urla Tyler, Laraine Wood.

Missing: Robin Isabelle and Linda Ard

Dec 16 installing officers at
Acacia Chapter #3 Open Installation

Left to right—front row: Carol Fowke-Burns, Installing Officer; Debbie Robinson Worthy Matron; Les White, Worthy Patron
Back row: Assisting installing officers, Bev Otsuka; Bonnah Busch, Marion Kelly, Cheryl Rann, Rick Rann, Urla Tyler, Idella Barr.

Worthy Matron Linda White and Worthy Patron Rick Rann cut our 111th anniversary cake at open installation of officers banquet on December 16.

Sister Linda and Brother Rick

SASKATOON #4

Sister Bev Otsuka, PGM - Reporter

This is a busy Installation month for all of our Chapters, Saskatoon 4 being no different. It's a hectic time for everyone, especially for our incoming Worthy Matron and Installing Matron. Unfortunately, Sister Anita Ingram (Installing Officer) had to have a procedure done the day before installation and could not attend after all the work and preparation that she had done. We invited Sister Idella Barr PGM from North Battleford (member of Acacia 3 in Biggar) to take on her role. Sister Anita had already had all the installing officers and assisting officers in place both from Regal Chapter 132, Corinthian 89 in Govan and Acacia 3 in Biggar, so all was well.

Installing Officers:
Sister Norma Wilson (mother of the WM), Sister Patricia Meddins, WM, Brother Robert Huisman WP, Brother Rick Galloway PGM, And Assisting Officers from 132, 3, 89 - Subordinate Chapter Officers

With bad weather on the horizon, everyone was glad to attend the meeting which hosted a closed installation and be home before the snow and ice. Everyone was home between 5 and 6 who lived away from the city.

A Beautiful gift from the Officers of Saskatoon #4 to Sister Bev Otsuka PGM, retiring WM from the hands of Sister Merle Sawatsky PM. Fun motto for the year was the Sheep and so the beautiful quilt was a very special and cherished remembrance of the year.

Meetings in 2025:
-first Saturday of the month at 1 pm except May which will be the 1st Wednesday at 7 pm.
-**Holiday Months** July and August

We wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and the Very Best for 2025. We would love to see you at a meeting anytime you happen to be in Saskatoon on a Saturday afternoon!

REGINA #7

Sister Donna Sanders, GGCCM and PGM AND
Sister Marianne Woods, PM – Reporters

Happy December, Sisters and Brothers!

Sisters Mary Ann and Marianne attended the WGM and WGP's homecoming in September in Moose Jaw, and with the help of Honourary Members Sisters Bev Otsuka and Llynne Lambert and Brother Lloyd Pethick, presented the skit "Francine the Flamingo" Here they are with WGM Sister Lynne and WGP Brother Ray!

Homecoming – Regina #7 Crew

At our October 5th meeting, Sister Judy Killaby, PM received her 40 Year Certificate. Acting Worthy Matron, Sister Marianne and Sister Jean Thibeault, Secretary were pleased to present Sister Judy with her Certificate. Congratulations, Sister Judy!

We shared a lovely lunch in the Board Room at the Masonic Lodge following the meeting.

l-r: Sisters Betty Cumming, Jean Thibeault, Judy Killaby, Donna Sanders and Laurel Dutton-Wilkins

l-r: Sisters Marianne Woods, Betty Cumming, Jean Thibeault, Judy Killaby, Donna Sanders and Laurel Dutton-Wilkins

At our November meeting, we affiliated Sister Deb Heenan. Welcome Sister Deb to #7! Sisters Mary Ann and Marianne placed a Wreath at the Victoria Park Cenotaph on Remembrance Day.

Our Installation of 2025 Officers was held on Saturday, December 7th in the Blue Room. Sister Cheri Cowan, PGM joined us for our Stated meeting and Closed Installation for Sister

Marianne Woods, WM and Brother Erskine Sandiford, WP.

Sister Melinda Nagy, PM was our Installing Officer, assisted by the following Regina #7 Officers: -Sister Marian Hutchinson, Installing Marshal, Sister Betty Cumming, Installing Secretary, Sister Gilda Treleaven-Graham, Installing Organist Sister Donna Sanders, Installing Conductress and Sister Marianne Woods, Installing Chaplain. Obligation of Office was given by Brother Erskine Sandiford.

Assistant Installing Officers included Sisters Marianne, Donna, Jean, Mary Anne Couse and Mildred Sandiford. Sister Donna Sanders, Ambassador to Quebec, installed the Star Points and gave a beautiful addendum entitled "The Poinsettia". She presented Sister Marianne, WM with a beautiful poinsettia as a gift.

2025 Regina #7 Officers with 'helpers' Sisters Cheryl Svab and Diane Sanborn, Mizpah #1

Following the meeting, Sister Mary Ann Couse, PM hosted a delicious Lasagna Dinner in the lower hall with the help of her husband Larry to thank her 2024 Officers for their dedication to our Beautiful Order.

Sister Mary Ann Couse, PM had the pleasure of presenting Sister Marlene Ridgway Grand Treasurer Emeritus, with her 40-year certificate in December.

Sister Mary Ann with Sister Marlene Ridgway

Regina #7 Members and Officers send our loving Christmas wishes to you! Good Health, Happiness and Peace in 2025! See you on the Star Trail!

CORINTHIAN #89, GOVAN

Brother Bruce Farrer, PGP – Reporter

The Corinthian members have had a very busy fall. Since August we have been selling Grey Cup lottery tickets and this year managed to sell all that were printed. As usual, Sister Bernice Scott sold a great many, ten to be exact, which amounts to 300 tickets. Despite that she didn't exactly sell the most as Sister Merle Sawatsky also sold ten books, but she had two winners who bought from her – Ben Stangeland and James MacDonald. Brother Bruce and Sister Cathy Farrer are the worst salespersons in Corinthian Chapter so apart from selling a few to their children, who feel obligated to buy from their incompetent parents, they just buy a few books of tickets themselves. That had some positive results again his year though, as they won a $50 score and one of their sons also won $50.

Each month Strasbourg offers a $2.00 noon meal to their seniors, which they dub a Toonie luncheon. Again, this October, we served the main course and provided dessert. The accompanying picture shows who came to serve. ALMOST everything turned out well and the 99 local seniors enjoyed their meal, music provided

by Brother Gerald Griffiths and a get together; however, a 94 year-old Strasbourg resident unwittingly attempted to keep one of our Star members stranded in their town for a few days potentially until she happened to leave her house again. She wore her red jacket to the Toonie Luncheon, but happened to put on Brother Bruce's similar red jacket when she went home and that jacket had his car keys in the pocket. After we had cleaned up Brother Bruce still had a red jacket available to wear, but not the one with the car keys, and the handful of people still left in the hall had no idea who of the 100 or so people in attendance was wearing a red jacket. "Distress" posts were put on Facebook, and Strasbourg residents who were left, including Sister Bernice, started phoning around to those who had gone home, asking if they remembered anyone wearing a red jacket. After a somewhat stressful period of time, someone thought that 94 year-old Irene was wearing one, so her daughter was contacted, and she drove over to her mother's house and brought back to the hall the other red jacket AND the car keys.

Servers at the Strasbourg Toonie Lunch
Left to right: Bruce, Kayla, Lorraine, Bernice, Gerald, Grace and Janet

We volunteered again to provide a supper at Ronald McDonald House in Saskatoon and because the date we chose was October 31st, we all wore a Halloween costume. You can see in the accompanying picture that we served a full course meal with peas, carrots, mashed potatoes, meat loaf, gravy and two salads, plus a sundae for dessert. We had a few people come back for seconds or even third helpings so we think everyone enjoyed the meal. After we finish serving it's always a pleasure to eat with and mingle with some of the families staying there as well as the RMH staff members.

Ronald MacDonald House Halloween Supper
Janet Haryett, Kayla Ingram, Bruce Farrer, Judy Brown, Grace & Gerald Griffiths

Gerald Griffiths, Janet Haryett, Grace Griffiths, Bruce Farrer, Dona Dumont, Kayla Ingram, Judy Brown.

A number of us who attended the Homecoming in Moose Jaw wore flamingo outfits and sang a flamingo song. The posed picture shown here really doesn't do justice to our presentation but no pictures were taken during the performance.

Then some of us were on the road again, this time to attend General Grand Chapter. Congratulations to Sister Donna Sanders who is now Ambassador to Quebec. Most of us have already heard that finally women with no Masonic relationship are potentially eligible to join the Order.

Those Star members who have visited us throughout 2024 will realize that our Worthy Matron Sister Merle Sawatsky has featured an addendum at each of our stated meetings. In October it was based on the Star Points presenting flowers to our retiring Secretary and Treasurer. Sister Cathy Farrer and Sister Sharon Clarke. In November we honoured Sister Lorraine Sobchyshyn, who is Grand Organist again this year.

Sister Lorraine

We have no idea what addendum the fertile mind of our retiring Worthy Matron will be planning for December, but we should point out that so much snow fell at the end of November that when we arrived for the November stated meeting which had to be rescheduled due to the snowstorm on the 4th Saturday, we couldn't even see the steps. After 40 minutes of shoveling, we had a pathway cleared along one side of the steps, but fortunately an excellent toboggan run still exists as you can see in the accompanying picture.

With the amazing speed that our members will be able to attain as they zoom down the steps, over the sidewalk, and street and onto the vacant lot across from the Chapter room, using either a regular toboggan or perhaps a crazy carpet, who knows how far they will speed into that vacant lot. Of course, we would have to have lookouts on the street to make sure no traffic would be approaching, but with the unique opportunity our members and victors from Mizpah and perhaps other Chapters will have, to careen down the snow filled steps it might be difficult to find someone who wouldn't want to see how fast they could go. Unfortunately, due to time restraints we might have to allow only the Star Point Officers to try it out.

YORKTON #92

Sister Ruby Lee, PGM – Reporter

Winter hasn't officially arrived but we have been blessed with an abundance of cold days, snow and a great deal of wind. It has been reported that we have more snow now than we had all last winter. So thankful for our warm homes!

Our Chapter welcomed Sister Lynne Moffatt, Worthy Grand Matron and Brother Ray Moffatt, Worthy Grand Patron to the Official Visit of Yorkton Chapter on September 14, 2024. They enjoyed a lovely visit with Sister Elaine Low,

PGM prior to our Banquet Luncheon. Sister Elaine was delighted to have them along with Sister Angela Oleskiw, PGM – the photographer.

Sister Elaine Lowe, PGM with
Sister Lynne, WGM and Brother Ray, WGP

Our Sisters and Brothers enjoyed a nice social time checking out the Silent Auction Items, the Afghan Raffle or simply visiting with one another. The Banquet was enjoyed by all – so many delicious choices of salads, desserts and so much more.

The Official Visit was enjoyed by all present. So nice to have so many visitors in our Chapter Room – a reminder of what our regular meetings used to be like when we had many Chapters in our vicinity. We were delighted to have visitors from Alberta and Manitoba as well as several Grand Chapter Officers of Saskatchewan in attendance.

Front Row: Lynne Moffatt, WGM; Kathy Gordon, WM; Roderick Lee, PGP, WP; Ray Moffatt, PGP, WGP

Second Row: Marjorie Orr, PM; Nancy Leason, PM; Judy Stone, PM; Ruby Lee, PGM; Gladys Lehtissari, PM, Susan Bear, PM; DeAnne Needham, PM; Cathy Toth, PM

Third Row: Wayne Stephens, PP; Karen Wilson, PM; Angela Oleskiw, PGM; Angela Bothner, PM; Earl Greiner, PP; Maxine Greiner, PM; Sally Bishop, PM

Visiting Saskatchewan Grand Chapter Officers:
Lynne Moffatt, WGM; Kathy Gordon, WM; Roderick Lee, WP; Ray Moffatt, WGP

Second Row: Amy Moffatt, Special Page; Thea Howe, Grand Secretary; Margaret Tatarinoff, Grand Treasurer; Sue Butz, Grand Conductress; Dave Hartley, AGP; Lorraine Sobchyshyn, Grand Organist; Jenny Guest, AGM; Lynn Maas, Grand Esther; Gillian Moffatt, Special Page

Yorkton Chapter was very pleased with their successful event – great to see so many Sisters and Brothers enjoying the fellowship of our beautiful Order.

Our meetings in October and November dealt with the usual business. We look forward to the Installation of a new slate of Officers in December. Our luncheon prior to our meeting will feature a sample of the Christmas baking of our talented Sisters and Brothers – should be exceptional!

REGAL #132 – SASKATOON

Sister Thea Howe, Thea Howe, GGCCM-IHQ, PGM, Grand Secretary – Reporter

Our meetings in October and November were changed due to the holiday Mondays. At our October meeting we welcomed two new members, Sister Ladee and Brother Erwin Marbella, into our Chapter. Sister Evelyn Reierson PM was presented with her 65-year certificate.

Our WP, Brother Ron Reierson laid a wreath at the Remembrance Day ceremony in Saskatoon. Sister Thea Howe PGM was escorted by Legion member, her own daughter, Sister Angela Bothner PM when she laid a wreath at the Remembrance day service in Delisle.

We had some sad news that our dear Sister Shirley Cameron PM, our 54-year member with Regal had passed away. We draped the altar at our November meeting and will be attending her funeral next week.

We were busy with our annual fundraising turkey supper on December 6. It is always a great event to host as it brings family and friends together for a glorious feast before the holiday season. Several of the brethren of Preceptory Lodge surprised and acknowledged Sister Karen Catterall's husband Fred with a 60-year membership plaque in their Lodge.

At our December meeting, Sister Lucille Eddolls PM will receive her 50-year pin and certificate. Once the Installation of Officers is held, Sister Lynn Maas PM and Brother Doug Hoffman PGP will be leading Regal Chapter in the East for the ensuing year.

On behalf of Sister Jennifer Whalley WM and Brother Ron Reierson WP and all members of Regal Chapter, we wish everyone a Merry Christmas and all the best in the coming year.

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Lloydminster #76-Deborah MacDonald
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